

NEW ORLEANS.

How the Grand Fleet Passed Away in the Crescent City.

At the Mystic Krewes, and the Grand Duke Hilariously Mixed Up.

Special to the Appeal.]

New Orleans, February 13.

The festivities of Mardi Gras in this city to-day were of unusual interest.

There were two hundred thousand people present at participants and spectators.

There were, perhaps, two hundred thousand people in the city.

The procession of the King of the Carnival formed on Canal street, and began the march at three o'clock.

While marching up St. Charles street the excitement was intense and the spectacle indescribable.

The street was densely packed from Canal street to the city hall, and the balconies and terraces were all crowded—having received extra supports to insure the safety of the occupants.

The streets and houses on the line of march were handsomely decorated.

The city hall was decorated with flags, festoons of flowers and evergreens in the most superb style.

The excitement of the occasion was heightened by the fact that the Grand Duke, who witnessed the pageant from the front of the city hall, and exchanged royal courtesies with the King of the Carnival.

In the procession were many grotesque characters, the King himself being, magnificently attired, and wielding his scepter with a grace becoming so great a personage.

To-night the Mystical Krewes of Comus-paraded. This peculiar institution of New Orleans, composed of many of the laziest citizens, makes its display by gaudy and splendid.

This procession made about the same line of march as that of the King.

In the afternoon, and was also witnessed by the Grand Duke at the city hall, which was illuminated by a crescent of gas lamps and Chinese lanterns for the occasion.

The city to-night was devoted to hilarity and amusement, and the revels in progress at the principal theaters and many other places.

The Grand Duke will take most of them in. No accident, and the revels of the carnival enjoyed of the occasion. There were but few allegorical characters in the procession.

Of these the best was the Headdress, Ah Bin, with fifty-two costumed representing each of the nations of the world.

"Each one is you can." Another represented Grand with his brother-in-law on his back and piacard, "This ticket for 1872-just patent." Many Memphians will start home to-morrow, but it will be a week before they all get away, as the press of passengers will tax railroads and steamboats to their utmost capacity.

The weather is delightful.

WASHINGTON.

Washington, February 13.—The committee of ways and means this morning resolved to report in favor of retaining the present rate of eight cents per pound on refined sugar, and reducing the present rate of thirty-two cents to twenty-four cents.

The committee of the house and means of the house have requested the committee of internal revenue to communicate to them, in a form which shall serve as a basis for legislation, his views as to the proper manner of effecting a consolidation of the duties on refined sugar, except that imposed on refined and wholesale dealers.

Mr. Marvin T. Reed, a lead manufacturer of New York, argued before the finance committee to-day in favor of reducing the duty on refined sugar to ten cents per pound.

He said that the importations are ninety-three million pounds a year. The home production is about one-fourth of that amount, and the United States do not export a pound. Nearly all the lead produced in this country is mined in Missouri and Illinois, and St. Louis and other western cities are obliged to draw on the imported lead from the eastward.

The present duty gives the foreign lead a monopoly of all the markets of the world.

The British and American mixed commission met to-day, and the claim of Thomas S. Clark, of Virginia, for the destruction of property by Union soldiers during the war was discussed, and the commission adjourned to March 20th.

NEWS AND GOSSIP OF GOTHAM.

New York, February 13.

The Jerome has been sworn in in the Stock case and the court adjourned until to-morrow.

Conkle, the swindling secretary of the Market Savings bank, was in town last week, and is now on his way to the State prison for a term of ten years.

At a meeting of the medical legal society last night it was decided that the sets submitted by the society to the legislature for the punishment of quacks and abortionists will soon be adopted.

William Christie, Mike Smith and Thomas Kane last night knocked down B. McLaughlin, a well-known Brooklyn man, and robbed him of a watch and a wallet. The police arrested the robbers and found the booty in their possession.

A number of gentlemen favorable to the religious amendment to the constitution met last night to hear a report from Mr. Allen, who attended the Cincinnati convention. Many declared christianization to be the only hope of the country.

A mysterious letter has been found in Brooklyn, signed "Eden," which mentions Panama, the murdered man, in connection with the case of a watch and a wallet. The police arrested the robbers and found the booty in their possession.

LOSERS BY FIRE.

That Old Red Warehouse.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., February 13.—The old red warehouse, recently occupied by the Milwaukee & Wisconsin Central, was burned this morning. The loss in grain is 3000 bushels; building worth about \$2000.

HOSPITAL REPORT.

GALESBURGO, Illinois, February 13.—The McCall and Black warehouse in this city was totally destroyed by fire this morning. A large number of persons gathered to witness the destruction. The value of the property destroyed amounts to ten to fifteen thousand dollars. Insurance not known.

Frightful Disaster.

WINONA, Minnesota, February 13.—A terrible disaster happened in the town of Winona, in this country, at two o'clock on Tuesday morning, resulting in the loss of three children of the Bowling Green and Guardian Savings bank. The order was made in behalf of the depositors by the Bowling Green Savings bank, who were for alleged misappropriation of bank money. A similar procedure has not been taken for the savings bank of the bank.

Messrs. Henry Clark & Co., of this city received to-day cable advice from their London house, Messrs. Clark & Co., government agents, confirming the recovery of American securities from the recent panic, and adding also that the violent denunciations of the American government by the English newspapers, with reproach throughout London financial circles, and that a consoling feeling is manifested by the public at large, showing itself in some instances by a demand for a change in ministry. They see no cause for the apprehensions which have been so prevalent.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

PORTUGAL.

Lisbon, February 13.—An earthquake occurred here last night. The shocks, however, were light, and no serious damage is reported.

PERSIA.

The Persian in Persia Unhappy.

Dispatches from Tehran state that the famine in Persia continues with unabated fury. Many persons are dying daily.

RUSSIA.

The czar and the Emperor of Brazil.

St. Petersburg, February 13.—It is rumored that an interview between the czar and the Emperor of Brazil has been arranged to take place at Nice.

SPAIN.

A Telegraph Cable Wanted.

Madrid, February 13.—The government is endeavoring to secure the construction and laying of a telegraph cable between Spain and the Canary Islands, to be in the hands of some Spanish possession in America.

ITALY.

Jay and Sherman at Rome.

Rome, February 13.—Minister Jay from Austria arrived yesterday to meet General Sherman. Both were accompanied by their wives. Sherman gave them a cordial reception.

THE POPE AND EDUCATION.

The Pope will soon send forth an encyclical letter on the subject of public instruction and its relations with the church and state.

FRANCE.

Francisco-German Treaty.

Paris, February 13.—The Franco-German treaty convention has been signed by the respective governments parties thereto.

Disorderly Elections.

The elections in the department of Eure to fill the vacancy in the national assembly were attended with great disorder, and numerous conflicts occurred between the opposing parties.

ENGLAND.

The Association of the Earl of Mayo.

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THE CONTESTED WILL CASE.

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